



Provider Inquiry Assistance

Pneumococcal Pneumonia, Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Vaccines – JA6079

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Contractors Affected

- Medicare Carriers
- Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs)
- Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs)

Provider Types Affected

Physicians and providers billing Medicare Carriers, FIs, or A/B MACs for services to Medicare beneficiaries



- Change Request (CR) 6079 notifies providers that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) revised Form CMS-1500 to accommodate the reporting of the National Provider Identifier (NPI).
 - However, the requirement of an NPI for the rendering provider does not apply to influenza virus and pneumococcal vaccine claims submitted on roster bills.
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Provider Needs to Know...

Medicare contractors should NOT return claims as unprocessable to the supplier/provider of service when the rendering provider does not enter his/her NPI into 24J of Form CMS-1500 for influenza virus and pneumococcal vaccine claims submitted as roster bills.

Background The current Form CMS-1500 (08-05) does not require reporting the NPI for influenza virus and pneumococcal vaccine claims submitted as roster bills.

**Operational
Impact** N/A

The related MLN Matters article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM6079.pdf> on the CMS website.

**Reference
Materials** The official instruction (CR6079) regarding this change may be viewed at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R1586CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

The updated *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*, Chapter 1 (General Billing Requirements), §80.3.2.1.2 (Conditional Data Element Requirements for Carriers and DMERCS) and Chapter 18 (Preventive and Screening Services), Section 10 (Pneumococcal Pneumonia, Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Vaccines) is an attachment to CR6079.
